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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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In response to the Final Office action of October 19, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. The period for response has been extended one month by virtue of the enclosed Petition For Extension of Time and requisite fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 9 of this paper.